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Applicant(s): Masahiko IGAKI, et al.

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For: REFLECTION SCALE AND DISPLACEMENT MEASUREMENT APPARATUS
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please enter this Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being submitted concurrently herewith.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.